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## Arizona Cattle on Feed Inventory Down 16 Percent From Last Year

On March 1, 2010, Arizona had 286,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, down 16 percent from a year ago and down 1 percent from last month. Placements totaled 21,000 head during February, 5,000 head less than a year ago. During February, 24,000 head were marketed, a decrease of 8,000 head from last year.

On March 1, 2010, California had 450,000 head of cattle on feed for the slaughter market, down 2 percent from last year and down 1 percent from last month. Placements totaled 51,000 head during February, 15,000 head more than last year. During February, 48,000 head were marketed, a decrease of 6,000 head from a year ago.

Cattle and calves on feed for slaughter market in the United States for feedlots with capacity of 1,000 or more head totaled 10.9 million head on March 1, 2010. The inventory was 3 percent below March 1, 2009.

Placements in feedlots during February totaled 1.67 million, 1 percent below 2009. Net placements were 1.60 million head. During February, placements of cattle and calves weighing less than 600 pounds were 320,000, 600-699 pounds were 365,000, 700-799 pounds were 520,000, and 800 pounds and greater were 460,000.

Marketings of fed cattle during February totaled 1.72 million, 2 percent above 2009.

Other disappearance totaled 68,000 during February, 21 percent above 2009.

## Cattle on Feed: Number on Feed, Number Placed on Feed, Number Marketed, and Other Disappearance, 1000+ Capacity Feedlots, By Month, State, and United States 2009-2010

| State | Number on Feed 1/ | | | | | Number Placed on Feed During February | | | Number Marketed During February | | | Other Disappearance During February 2/ | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | Mar 1, 2010 | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Mar 1, 2009 | Feb 1, 2010 | Number | as % of 2009 | as % of Feb | 2009 | 2010 | 2010 as % of 2009 | 2009 | 2010 | 2010 as % of 2009 | 2009 | 2010 | 2010 as % of 2009 |
| | *1,000 Head* | | | *Percent* | | *1,000 Head* | | *Percent* | *1,000 Head* | | *Percent* | *1,000 Head* | | *Percent* |
| **AZ** | 342 | 290 | 286 | 84 | 99 | 26 | 21 | 81 | 32 | 24 | 75 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| CA | 460 | 455 | 450 | 98 | 99 | 36 | 51 | 142 | 54 | 48 | 89 | 2 | 8 | 400 |
| CO | 1,040 | 960 | 940 | 90 | 98 | 190 | 160 | 84 | 165 | 175 | 106 | 5 | 5 | 100 |
| ID | 215 | *200 | 195 | 91 | 98 | 38 | 36 | 95 | 37 | 40 | 108 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| IA | 520 | 600 | 600 | 115 | 100 | 62 | 69 | 111 | 61 | 66 | 108 | 1 | 3 | 300 |
| KS | 2,290 | 2,240 | 2,220 | 97 | 99 | 420 | 405 | 96 | 375 | 415 | 111 | 15 | 10 | 67 |
| NE | 2,330 | 2,370 | 2,350 | 101 | 99 | 310 | 365 | 118 | 370 | 370 | 100 | 10 | 15 | 150 |
| NM | 148 | D/ | D/ | D/ | D/ | 9 | D/ | D/ | 18 | D/ | D/ | 1 | D/ | D/ |
| OK | 330 | 365 | 355 | 108 | 97 | 51 | 54 | 106 | 49 | 62 | 127 | 2 | 2 | 100 |
| SD | 225 | 235 | 240 | 107 | 102 | 43 | 52 | 121 | 39 | 44 | 113 | 4 | 3 | 75 |
| TX | 2,820 | 2,700 | 2,650 | 94 | 98 | 430 | 365 | 85 | 410 | 400 | 98 | 10 | 15 | 150 |
| WA | 153 | 166 | 168 | 110 | 101 | 28 | 30 | 107 | 25 | 27 | 108 | 1 | 1 | 100 |
| Other Sts | 355 | 403 | 410 | X/ | 102 | 35 | 57 | X/ | 47 | 46 | X/ | 3 | 4 | X/ |
| US | 11,228 | *10,984 | 10,864 | 97 | 99 | 1,678 | 1,665 | 99 | 1,682 | 1,717 | 102 | 56 | 68 | 121 |

*Revised

1/ Cattle and calves on feed are animals for slaughter market being fed a ration of grain or other concentrates and are expected to produce a carcass that will grade select or better.

2/ Includes death losses, movement from feedlots to pasture, and shipments to other feedlots for further feeding.

## February Milk Production Up 0.1 Percent

Milk production in the 23 major States during February totaled 13.6 billion pounds, up 0.1 percent from February 2009. January revised production at 14.8 billion pounds, was down 0.5 percent from January 2009. The January revision represented an increase of 14 million pounds or 0.1 percent from last month's preliminary production estimate.

Production per cow in the 23 major States averaged 1,640 pounds for February, 35 pounds above February 2009.

The number of milk cows on farms in the 23 major States was 8.32 million head, 168,000 head less than February 2009, but 3,000 head more than January 2010.

### Milk Cows and Production: By State, February 2009-2010

| State | Milk Cows 1/ | | Milk Per Cow 2/ | | Milk Production 2/ | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | 2009 | 2010 | Percent change from 2009 |
| | *1,000 Head* | | *Pounds* | | *Million Pounds* | | *Percent* |
| AZ | 189 | 170 | 1,865 | 1,930 | 352 | 328 | -6.8 |
| CA | 1,825 | 1,760 | 1,720 | 1,755 | 3,139 | 3,089 | -1.6 |
| CO | 128 | 116 | 1,780 | 1,800 | 228 | 209 | -8.3 |
| FL | 117 | 112 | 1,540 | 1,530 | 180 | 171 | -5 |
| ID | 549 | 552 | 1,640 | 1,690 | 900 | 933 | 3.7 |
| IL | 102 | 101 | 1,510 | 1,530 | 154 | 155 | 0.6 |
| IN | 167 | 169 | 1,560 | 1,560 | 261 | 264 | 1.1 |
| IA | 215 | 213 | 1,550 | 1,575 | 333 | 335 | 0.6 |
| KS | 124 | 116 | 1,655 | 1,645 | 205 | 191 | -6.8 |
| MI | 354 | 355 | 1,700 | 1,755 | 602 | 623 | 3.5 |
| MN | 468 | 470 | 1,475 | 1,490 | 690 | 700 | 1.4 |
| MO | 107 | 101 | 1,150 | 1,100 | 123 | 111 | -9.8 |
| NM | 333 | 318 | 1,880 | 1,870 | 626 | 595 | -5 |
| NY | 623 | 610 | 1,540 | 1,560 | 959 | 952 | -0.7 |
| OH | 277 | 272 | 1,430 | 1,500 | 396 | 408 | 3 |
| OR | 114 | 114 | 1,520 | 1,570 | 173 | 179 | 3.5 |
| PA | 551 | 541 | 1,490 | 1,520 | 821 | 822 | 0.1 |
| TX | 430 | 410 | 1,650 | 1,640 | 710 | 672 | -5.4 |
| UT | 85 | 83 | 1,570 | 1,620 | 133 | 134 | 0.8 |
| VT | 136 | 134 | 1,415 | 1,440 | 192 | 193 | 0.5 |
| VA | 97 | 95 | 1,425 | 1,400 | 138 | 133 | -3.6 |
| WA | 240 | 246 | 1,750 | 1,825 | 420 | 449 | 6.9 |
| WI | 1,255 | 1,260 | 1,505 | 1,585 | 1,889 | 1,997 | 5.7 |
| 23-State Total | 8,486 | 8,318 | 1,605 | 1,640 | 13,624 | 13,643 | 0.1 |

1/ Includes dry cows, excludes heifers not yet fresh.
2/ Excludes milk sucked by calves.

### Wool: Number of Sheep and Lambs Shorn, Weight Per Fleece, Production, Price, and Value, Selected States and United States 2008-2009

| State | Sheep and Lambs Shorn | | Weight per Fleece | | Production | | Price per Pound | | Value of Production 1/ | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 | 2008 | 2009 |
| | *1,000 Head* | | *Pounds* | | *1,000 Pounds* | | *Dollars* | | *1,000 Dollars* | |
| **AZ** | 120.0 | 125.0 | 6.3 | 6.0 | 750 | 750 | 0.30 | 0.25 | 225 | 188 |
| CA | 470.0 | 440.0 | 7.0 | 6.1 | 3,300 | 2,700 | 1.10 | 0.85 | 3,630 | 2,295 |
| CO | 380.0 | 300.0 | 6.8 | 7.3 | 2,600 | 2,200 | 1.12 | 0.82 | 2,912 | 1,804 |
| ID | 180.0 | 190.0 | 9.5 | 9.4 | 1,710 | 1,786 | 1.14 | 0,83 | 1,949 | 1,482 |
| MT | 230.0 | 230.0 | 9.3 | 9.3 | 2,150 | 2,150 | 1.40 | 1.10 | 3,010 | 2,365 |
| NV | 48.0 | 53.0 | 9.9 | 9.7 | 475 | 515 | 1.35 | 1.10 | 641 | 567 |
| NM | 105.0 | 100.0 | 7.6 | 7.3 | 800 | 730 | 1.70 | 1.00 | 1,360 | 730 |
| TX | 600.0 | 500.0 | 7.0 | 7.0 | 4,200 | 3,500 | 1.16 | 1.04 | 4,872 | 3,640 |
| UT | 255.0 | 260.0 | 9.2 | 9.0 | 2,350 | 2,350 | 1.20 | 0.80 | 2,820 | 1,880 |
| WA | 36.0 | 48.0 | 7.8 | 7.3 | 280 | 350 | 1.35 | 1.35 | 378 | 473 |
| WY | 320.0 | 300.0 | 9.4 | 9.3 | 3,000 | 2,800 | 1.46 | 1.16 | 4,380 | 3,248 |
| US | 4,434.0 | 4,197.0 | 7.4 | 7.4 | 32,963 | 30,862 | 0.99 | 0.79 | 32,486 | 24,387 |

1/ Production multiplied by marketing year average price. U.S. value is summation of State values.

## U.S. Hog Inventory Down 3 Percent

U.S. inventory of all hogs and pigs on March 1, 2010 was 64.0 million head. This was down 3 percent from March 1, 2009 and down 2 percent from December 1, 2009.

Breeding inventory, at 5.76 million head, was down 4 percent from last year and down 2 percent from the previous quarter. Market hog inventory, at 58.2 million head, was down 3 percent from last year and down 2 percent from last quarter.

## Veal and Lamb and Mutton Production at Record Low for February

Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.74 billion pounds in February, down 2 percent from the 3.83 billion pounds produced in February 2009.

Beef production, at 1.96 billion pounds, was 2 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.55 million head, up 1 percent from February 2009. The average live weight was down 25 pounds from the previous year, at 1,285 pounds.

Veal production totaled 10.7 million pounds, 2 percent below February a year ago. Calf slaughter totaled 74,000 head, down slightly from February 2009. The average live weight was down 10 pounds from last year, at 247 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.76 billion pounds, down 3 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 8.69 million head, down 3 percent from February 2009. The average live weight was down 2 pounds from the previous year, at 270 pounds.

Lamb and mutton production, at 12.3 million pounds, was down 3 percent from February 2009. Sheep slaughter totaled 178,400 head, 1 percent below last year. The average live weight was 139 pounds, down 3 pounds from February a year ago.

January to February 2010 commercial red meat production was 7.65 billion pounds, down 4 percent from 2009. Accumulated beef production was down 2 percent from last year, veal was down 3 percent, pork was down 7 percent from last year, and lamb and mutton production was down 3 percent.

### Commercial Red Meat Production: By Arizona and United States 1/

| Class | February 2009 | January 2010 | February 2010 | February 2010 as % of 2/ February 2009 | February 2010 as % of 2/ January 2010 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | *1,000 Pounds* | | | *Percent* | |
| **Arizona 3/** | | | | | |
| **Total Red Meat** | **29,200** | **31,000** | **29,900** | **102** | **96** |
| United States | *Million Pounds* | | | *Percent* | |
| Beef | 1,986.0 | 2,083.1 | 1,955.7 | 98 | 94 |
| Veal | 11.0 | 11.6 | 10.7 | 98 | 92 |
| Pork | 1,817.3 | *1,810.1 | 1,757.4 | 97 | 97 |
| Lamb and Mutton | 12.7 | 12.8 | 12,.3 | 97 | 96 |
| Total Red Meat | 3,827.0 | *3,917.6 | 3,736.1 | 98 | 95 |

*Revised.
1/ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.
2/ Percentages based on unrounded data.
3/ Breakdown by class not available, includes total beef, veal, pork, lamb, and mutton.

### Commercial Livestock Slaughter: Arizona, January - February 2010 and U.S., January - February 2010 1/

| Species | Arizona, January - February: Number Slaughtered | Arizona, January - February: Total Live Weight | Arizona, January - February: Average Live Weight | United States, January - February: Number Slaughtered | United States, January - February: Total Live Weight | United States, January - February: Average Live Weight |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1,000 Head | 1,000 Pounds | Pounds | 1,000 Head | 1,000 Pounds | Pounds |
| Cattle | **85.2** | **109,831** | **1,294** | 5,254.9 | 6,741,620 | 1,287 |
| Hogs | **0.2** | **55** | **275** | 17,600.8 | 4,763,409 | 271 |

1/ Includes slaughter under Federal inspection and other Commercial slaughter, excludes farm slaughter.

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## March Farm Prices Received Index Up 6 Points

The preliminary All Farm Products Index of Prices Received by farmers in March, at 141 percent, based on 1990-92=100, increased 6 points (4.4 percent) from February. The Crop Index is up 8 points (5.4 percent) and the Livestock Index increased 5 points (4.1 percent). Producers received higher prices for onions, lettuce, eggs, and cattle and lower prices for milk, corn, soybeans, and apples. In addition to prices, the overall index is also affected by the seasonal change based on a 3-year average mix of commodities producers sell. Increased monthly marketings of strawberries, soybeans, broilers, and milk offset decreased marketings of cattle, corn, cotton, and oranges.

The preliminary All Farm Products Index is up 15 points (12 percent) from March 2009. The Food Commodities Index, at 143, increased 10 points (7.5 percent) from last month and increased 21 points (17 percent) from March 2009.

## Prices Paid Index Unchanged

The March Index of Prices Paid for Commodities and Services, Interest, Taxes, and Farm Wage Rates (PPITW) is 184 percent of the 1990-1992 average. The index is unchanged from February but is 4 points (2.2 percent) above March 2009. Lower prices in March for complete feeds, LP gas, herbicides, and supplements offset higher prices for potash & phosphate, diesel, nitrogen, and feeder cattle.

### Prices Received by Farmers: Arizona and United States, March 2009 and 2010 and February 2010

| Commodity | Unit | **Arizona** | | | United States | | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | March 2009 Entire Month | February 2010 Entire Month | March 2010 Mid-Month | March 2009 Entire Month | February 2010 Entire Month | March 2010 Mid-Month |
| Upland Cotton | $ Lb | **0.534** | **0.657** | 1/ | 0.404 | 0.650 | 0.639 |
| Durum Wheat 2/ | $ Bu | 2/ | 1/ | 1/ | 7.40 | 4.61 | 5.03 |
| Alfalfa Hay Baled 3/ | $ Ton | **170.00** | **110.00** | **115.00** | 138.00 | 111.00 | 111.00 |
| Lemons | $ Box | **23.30** | **40.20** | **36.30** | 24.80 | 38.90 | 37.40 |
| Cows 4/ | $ Cwt | **44.00** | **54.00** | **57.00** | 44.40 | 51.60 | 52.40 |
| Steers and Heifers | $ Cwt | **82.00** | **87.00** | **92.00** | 84.00 | 90.50 | 93.90 |
| Beef Cattle 5/ | $ Cwt | **63.00** | **70.50** | **74.50** | 79.10 | 85.50 | 88.80 |
| Calves | $ Cwt | **100.00** | **117.00** | **123.00** | 106.00 | 112.00 | 113.00 |
| All Milk 6/ | $ Cwt | **10.60** | **15.30** | **14.50** | 11.80 | 15.90 | 15.10 |

1/ Prices not published to avoid disclosure of individual operations or insufficient sales.
2/ Not available for Arizona.
3/ Mid-month.
4/ Beef cows and cull dairy cows sold for slaughter.
5/ "Cows" and "steers and heifers" combined.
6/ Preliminary; before for hauling. Includes quality, quantity, and other premiums. Excludes hauling subsidies.

### United States Price Index Summary Table

| Index 1990-92 = 100 | 2009 | | 2010 | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | February | March | February | March |
| Prices Received | 126 | 126 | 135 | 141 |
| Prices Paid | 179 | 180 | 184 | 184 |
| Ratio 1/ | 70 | 70 | 73 | 77 |

1/ Ratio of index prices received by farmers to index of prices paid by farmers.